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- 1. To put an end to forcibly; subdue.
- 2. To curtail or prohibit the activities of.
- 3. To keep from being revealed, published, or circulated.
- 4. To deliberately exclude (unacceptable desires or thoughts) from the mind.
- 5. To inhibit the expression of (an impulse, for example); check: *suppress a smile*.
- 6. To reduce the incidence or severity of (a hemorrhage or cough, for example); arrest.

[Middle English suppressen, from Latin supprimere, suppress-: sub-, sub-+ premere, to press; see per-4 in Indo-European Roots.]

sup press ant n.
sup press i ble adj.

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- 2. To deliberately exclude unacceptable desires or thoughts from the mind.
- 3. To reduce the incidence or severity of a condition or symptom, such as a hemorrhage.

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\Sup*press"\, v. t. [imp. & p. p. <u>Suppressed</u>; p. pr. & vb. n. <u>Suppressing</u>.] [L. suppressus, p. p. of supprimere to suppress; sub under + premere, pressum, to press. See <u>Sub-</u>, and <u>Press.</u>] 1. To overpower and crush; to subdue; to put down; to quell.

Every rebellion, when it is suppressed, doth make the subject weaker, and the prince stronger. --Sir J. Davies.

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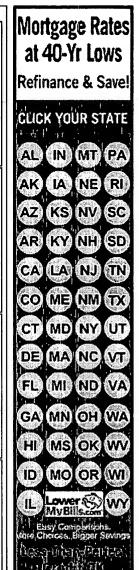
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- 2. To keep in; to restrain from utterance or vent; as, to suppress the voice; to suppress a smile. --Sir W. Scott.
- 3. To retain without disclosure; to conceal; not to reveal; to prevent publication of; as, to suppress evidence; to suppress a pamphlet; to suppress the truth.

She suppresses the name, and this keeps him in a pleasing suspense. --Broome.

4. To stop; to restrain; to arrest the discharges of; as, to suppress a diarrhea, or a hemorrhage.

Syn: To repress; restrain; put down; overthrow; overpower; overwhelm; conceal; stifle; stop; smother.

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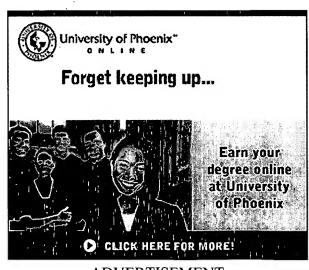
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v 1: to put down by force or authority; "suppress a nascent uprising", "stamp down on littering" "conquer one's desires" [syn: stamp down, inhibit, subdue, conquer, curb] 2: come down on; "The government oppresses political activists" [syn: oppress, crush] 3: control and refrain from showing; of emotions [syn: bottle up] 4: put out of one's consciousness; in psychiatry [syn: repress]

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